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For : A MIXABLE ROOM TEMPERATURE
CASTABLE POLYURETHANE SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

In the above-identified application for United States
patent, please amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Attached please find a clean copy of the following:

- the first paragraph in the section entitled "CROSS-
REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" on page 1;
- the sixth paragraph in the section entitled "SUMMARY OF
THE INVENTION" on page 2; and
- a marked-up copy of the above-mentioned paragraphs
showing the amendments to said paragraphs.

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